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Remarks upon this subject were offered by President Calvin Thomas.

16. "*b* after *r* and *l* in Gothic." By Professor George A. Hench, of the University of Michigan.

This paper was discussed by Professor James W. Bright.

17. "The so-called eye-rimes in *o* in Modern English." By Dr. Charles Davidson, of the University of the State of New York.

Comments upon this paper were offered by Professors George Hempl and James W. Bright.

Professor Charles H. Thurber, of Morgan Park Academy, as a member of the Committee appointed by the National Educational Association to investigate and report upon the subject of college entrance requirements, opened a discussion of

18. "College entrance requirements in French and German:"

*a.* Uniform units of measurement. Are they possible? If so, should they be based on time or quantity?

*b.* Elements that should compose a proper entrance examination paper. (1) Sight translation. (2) Grammatical questions. (3) Translation from English into the foreign language. The adoption of these three elements to the exclusion of others would obviate specification of authors and permit free substitution.

*c.* Advantages of fixed requirements for a definite period of time, say five years.

*d.* The preparation of a model scheme of entrance requirements for French and German.

This discussion was continued by Professors Hermann Woldmann, George A. Hench, L. A. McLouth, F. M. Warren, James W. Bright, Charles Harris and Hugo Schilling.

Professor George A. Hensch closed the discussion by offering the following resolutions, which were adopted :

*Resolved*, That a Committee of Twelve be appointed (*a*) to consider the position of the Modern Languages in Secondary Education ; (*b*) to examine into and make recommendations upon methods of instruction, the training of teachers, and such other questions connected with the teaching of the Modern Languages in the Secondary Schools and the Colleges as in the judgment of the Committee may require consideration.

*Resolved*, That this Committee shall consist of the present President of the Association, Professor Calvin Thomas, as Chairman, and eleven members of the Association to be named by him.

*Resolved*, That the Association hereby refers to this Committee the request of a Committee of the National Educational Association for coöperation in the consideration of the subject of college entrance examinations in French and German.

*Resolved*, That this Committee be authorized to draw upon the Treasurer of the Association for an amount not exceeding one hundred dollars, for the necessary expenditures of the Committee.

The following Committee was accordingly appointed :

CALVIN THOMAS, *Chairman*, Professor of Germanic Languages, Columbia University.

E. H. BABBITT, *Secretary*, Instructor of Germanic Languages, Columbia University.

B. L. BOWEN, Professor of Romanic Languages, Ohio State University.

H. C. G. BRANDT, Professor of German, Hamilton College.

W. H. CARRUTH, Professor of German, University of Kansas.

S. W. CUTTING, Associate Professor of German, University of Chicago.

A. M. ELLIOTT, Professor of Romanic Languages, Johns Hopkins University.

C. H. GRANDGENT, Professor of Romanic Languages, Harvard University.

G. A. HENSCH, Professor of Germanic Languages, University of Michigan.

HUGO A. RENNERT, Professor of Romanic Languages, University of Pennsylvania.

WM. B. SNOW, Teacher of French, English High School, Boston, Mass.

B. W. WELLS, Professor of Modern Languages, University of the South.

The auditing committee reported that the accounts of the Treasurer were found to be correct.

The Secretary read the following message received from the Secretary of the Central Division :

The Central Division of the Modern Language Association of America sends greeting to friends and colleagues in Cleveland.

ST. LOUIS, MO.,  
December 31, 1897.

H. SCHMIDT-WARTENBERG.

The report of the Committee on nomination of officers was received, and the following officers were elected for the year 1897:

President : Albert S. Cook, Yale University.

Secretary : James W. Bright, Johns Hopkins University.

Treasurer : Herbert E. Greene, Johns Hopkins University.

*Executive Council.*

C. T. Winchester, Wesleyan University, Middletown, Conn.

Bliss Perry, Princeton University, Princeton, N. J.

M. D. Learned, University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, Pa.

Ernst Voss, University of Wisconsin, Madison, Wisconsin.

E. A. Eggers, State University of Ohio, Columbus, Ohio.

Julius Goebel, Leland Stanford Jr. University, Stanford University, Cal.

A. R. Hohlfeld, Vanderbilt University, Nashville, Tenn.

J. A. Harrison, University of Virginia, Charlottesville, Va.

W. S. Currell, Washington and Lee University, Lexington, Va.

*Phonetic Section.*

President : A. Melville Bell, Washington, D. C.

Secretary : George Hempl, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Mich.

*Pedagogical Section.*

President: F. N. Scott, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Mich.

Secretary: O. F. Emerson, Adelbert College, Cleveland, Ohio.

*Editorial Committee.*

C. H. Grandgent, Harvard University, Cambridge, Mass.

H. Schmidt-Wartenberg, University of Chicago, Chicago, Ill.

Professor Herbert E. Greene offered the following resolution, which was heartily seconded by the Secretary, and adopted by a unanimous vote of the Association:

*Resolved*, That the Modern Language Association of America, assembled in Cleveland for its fourteenth annual convention, tenders its hearty thanks to the President and the Officers of the Western Reserve University, and to the Local Committee, for the cordial entertainment and for the efficient coöperation which have contributed so much to the success of this Convention; and

*Resolved*, That the Association hereby expresses to Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Wade its sincere thanks for their gracious hospitality in welcoming to their home the members of the Association.

The Association adjourned at 12.30 o'clock p. m.

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